

Leesburg Recreation & Parks Department City of Leesburg Activity Newsletter April 2006

The City of Leesburg Recreation and Parks Department would like to welcome you to the website newsletter. This newsletter will inform the community of the upcoming events and programs offered throughout the month of April. We also encourage all of our residents to join in and take any active approach to the City of Leesburg. Here is what the month of April has in store for you and your family!!

Special Events:

Easter Parents Night Out: This is a night for parents to get some "free" time. Bring the children to the community Building, located at 109 E. Dixie Ave., for a fun filled evening on Friday, April. 7th, from 5:30 pm to 10:00 pm. There will be arts & crafts, games & movies. Dinner will also be served. Fee is \$7.00 per child

Leesburg's Step up to Health: Leesburg's Step up to Health Fair: Come and check out our newest program for the citizens of our community. Step up to health is geared towards learning information on how to become more physically active, enjoying time off of work, learning new technology free activities and enjoying the fresh air. We will kick-off and hold registration for this awesome fitness experience on Saturday, April 29th, 2006 @ the Community Center, from 9 am – 2pm. Each Saturday during the month of May, we will have activities such as Walk a Hound Loose a Pound, 5K Walk, Bike Riding, and Paddling on the Lake. Also, we will be offering activities to choose from during the week, such as martial arts, water aerobics, yoga, and much more. The cost is \$ per participant, which will include all activities being offered during the Leesburg's Step Up to Health Month. You can register at our Step Up to Health Fair or at the Leesburg Recreation Department or if you have any question, please contact Sharon @ 728-9885.

National Arbor & Earth Day: The City of Leesburg Recreation and Parks Department will be holding an Arbor Day/ Earth Day Celebration, which will be held in Fountain Lake Park, located behind City Hall, on Saturday, April 22 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This special event will feature various educational displays and demonstrations from many different agencies that encompass the City of Leesburg as well as Lake County. There will also be entertainment, food vendors, and a Ceremonial tree planting. The City of Leesburg will also give trees away to help promote this importance of this Celebration. So come down and see for yourself this celebration honoring both Arbor and Earth Day, we promise you will have a great time and take something away with you at this great event.

Upcoming Youth Programs:

Prep Basketball: For Boys and girls ages 13-15, must be 13 and no older than 15 by July 31st, 2006. This program is designed to teach the fundamentals of basketball to include passing, dribbling, shooting, and of course fun. Games will be played on Mon. and Wed. in various gyms in the City of Leesburg. The season will start the week of June 5th. Jersey and end of the season trophy will be given. Registration will start on April 17th-May12th. Fee is \$20.00 for utility users and \$35.00 for non-users.

T-BALL: (Boys ages 5-6 and Girls ages 5-7) Mondays and Wednesdays or Tuesdays and Thursdays. Beginning the week of May 22nd at 5:30 pm or 6:30 pm for 4-5 weeks. This league is designed to teach young boys and girls the basics of baseball and softball to include throwing, hitting and catching. Competition is not emphasized. Player registration: April 17th- May 19th. Player Eligibility: Boys must be 5 and no older than 6 by April 30, 2006. Girls must be 5 and no older than 6 by Jan.1st, 2006. Fee: \$15.00.

SUMMER ADVENTURE CAMP: This exciting program is offered to all boys and girls who are six by June 5th, 2006, and no older than twelve years old by September 1, 2006. **Registration begins March 13th for all City of Leesburg utility users and March 20th for non-utility users.** This camp is action & adventure oriented with participants enjoying sports, games, arts & crafts, cookouts, swimming and much more!! Campers will have the opportunity to join us on several adventurous field trips that will take place weekly during the summer. Some great trips await our campers with plenty of **FUN** available for all. The cost for the camp is broken into 1-week sessions at a cost of \$30.00 per week (does not include cost of field trips). The camp hours are 7:30 am – 5:30 pm. No spots are held you choose how many and which week(s) you wish to attend camp. Be sure to come register for this great summer adventure. Enrollment is limited to a maximum of 100 children per week. The First week of camp will be June 5th – June 9th.

For any additional information please contact the Recreation Department at 728-9885

Upcoming Adult Programs:

31ST SUN REC SOFTBALL TOURNAMENT: This men's amateur slow pitch softball tournament will be held at Sleepy Hollow Softball Complex on Saturday, June 3rd. The Tournament is open to the first 16 teams that have paid the \$125.00 Registration fee. Tournament Registration will be accepted from May 1st – May 30th.

COED SOFTBALL LEAGUE: (minimum age is 16) this league is set up for adult men and women to participate in amateur 11" and 12" slow-pitch softball. Games will be played hourly. Player fees are \$20.00 per player and a \$100.00 team fee. Manager Meeting is Monday May 22nd. Games will be on Tuesdays and Thursdays at Sleepy Hollow Recreation Complex starting June 20th.

Instructional Programs

Baton Twirling and Pom-Pom Classes: The award winning "Superstars of Central Florida" will be holding classes on Tuesday evenings at the Cultural Arts Building located at 201 East Dixie Avenue. All ages welcome and no experience necessary. Fee: \$35.00 per month and an annual registration fee of \$30.00. For more information concerning classes call Cheri Stoffel at 360-0580.

Musa Moo Duk Kwan Tang Soo Do Karate: (minimum age 6); Presented by Petersons Central Winds Martial Arts; instructed by Master Pepe Peterson, Sr. a member of the Musa Moo Duk Kwon Tan Soo Do Federation. This is a traditional Korean martial art that teaches self-defense techniques, mental and physical fitness, and discipline. Students will not only learn to block or strike but to control and manipulate with joint locks and take-downs. Uniforms are required and can be obtained through the instructor, if needed. The classes will meet the Leesburg Recreation Department on Monday, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays, and Saturdays. The fee is \$40.00 per month. Discounts for additional members may apply. For additional information contact Pep Peterson at 874-6615.

Tennis: Private & group lessons, adult academies & junior clinics by Ted Chapman (Certified U.S.P.T.R Tennis Professional). Call 217-2793 for information and fees.

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Aquatics:

LIFEGUARD MANAGEMENT: (Minimum age is 16) Participants must already hold a current Lifeguard Training certificate. This 6-hour course is designed to provide lifeguards with career development training that includes injury prevention, selection, and training of lifeguards, team building, interaction with patrons, and emergency-response training. Fee is \$25.00:

- Session 1: April 20 (Thurs), 5:00 pm – 9:00 pm Register by April 8 with the Recreation Department
- Session 2: April 21 (Fri), 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Register by April 8 with the Recreation Department.
- Session 3: May 18 (Thurs), 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Register by May 6 with the Recreation Department.
- Session 4: May 19 (Fri), 3:00 pm – 7:00 pm. Register by May 6 with the Recreation Department.

WATER SAFETY INSTRUCTOR COURSE: (Minimum age is 16). This 45-hour course is designed to certify participants in instruction of water safety and swimming courses. Participants will also receive their Instructor Candidate certification during the first part of the course. Enrollment is limited and this course fills up fast. Fee is \$65.00 (includes books). If interested, please call the Recreation Department at 728-9885. A minimum of 8 participants is required for the class.

- **Session 2: Tuesday & Thursday Evening, May 2 – June 1, 2006.
Register by April 15 at the Recreation & Parks Department**

COMMUNITY WATER SAFETY: (No minimum age required) The purpose of this course is to provide information that will help people become safer and healthier in, on, and around the water. Course time is approximately 5 hours. The majority of this course is held in a classroom. This course meets HRS requirements for foster parents with a pool at their residence. This course is also good for youth who have completed Level VII of the Learn to Swim program and wish to continue their training. Fee is \$25.00 (includes book). Register with the Recreation Department the Wednesday before the session you wish to attend.

- **Session 2: Saturday, April 15; 10:00 am - 3:00 pm**

Masters Swim Club: (ages 19 and up) Practices are held Monday through Saturday. For more information please call Greg Tye at 267-5365.

Swim Club: This is a year around program and summer league designed for children ages 5 to 18. Practices are held Monday through Saturday. For more information please call Greg Tye at 267-5365.

Venetian Gardens:

Aquacising: (Minimum Age 16): This is a year around program that meets Mon, Wed, and Fri. from 11:15 am -12:00 noon. For more information, contact the instructor Phyllis Rzeminski at 343-8305

Lap Swim: (Minimum Age 16): This is a year around program that runs Mondays thru Fridays from 12:00 noon- 2:00 pm. This swim and stay fit program provides swim time for adults and teens. Enjoy lap swim on Saturdays from 10:00am -1:00 pm. Fee is \$1.00/day or \$15.00/month.

For any additional information please call 787-8018.

Mariana:

Venetian Cove Marina: The marina is located at 250 Ball Park Road. The marina has boat slips, dry storage, ramps, and access to Lake Harris. For more information please call 728-0901.

Featured Park of The Month:

This beautiful sports complex is equipped with 4 tennis courts and 24 shuffleboard courts. Located at 310 S. Palmetto St. it is the ultimate place to play tennis and shuffleboard. So come and enjoy this outstanding facility in the heart of Leesburg.

Palmetto Street Complex:

